

# Turkey Run Nature Center Programs

Friday, December 1

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*Wildlife Observation Window* - Open all day at the Nature Center.

*10am Feed The Birds* – Come to the Nature Center to put out a banquet for the birds & squirrels, and then watch to see who comes for breakfast in the observation room.

*2pm Planetarium Star Show* – Discover how easy it is to find ancient constellations during a 40-minute interactive program. Must be seated by 2pm. Nature Center.

Saturday, December 2

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*10am Feed The Birds* –See previous listing. Nature Cent

*10:30am-3:30pm Holiday Crafts* – Stop by the Nature Center to make several different crafts. Something for everyone. \$1 per person to make all!

*2pm Planetarium Star Show* – See above. Must be seated by 2pm. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Sunday, December 3 (park closes at 5 p.m.)

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*10am Feed The Birds* –See previous listing. Nature Cent

*2pm Planetarium Star Show* – See above. Must be seated by 2pm. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Monday & Tuesday, December 4-5

Park & Nature Center Closed

*Deer Reduction* – In order to maintain balance in nature at Turkey Run and Shades State Parks, it has become necessary to replace the missing natural hunters of deer, such as wolves and cougars, with human hunters. We will be closed these 2 days as hunters help us reduce an inflated deer population. The Parks will re-open at 7 a.m. Wed, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>.

Wednesday, December 6

Nature Center Closed

## Park Patch Program

Come to the Nature Center to earn free patches!  
SMOKEY'S FRIEND JUNIOR NATURALIST  
HOOSIER ECOLOGIST

Programs are designed to entertain & enrich people of all ages. Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

Thursday, December 7

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

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*10am Feed The Birds* –See previous listing. Nature Cent

*2pm Planetarium Star Show* – See previous listing.

Friday, December 8

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*Wildlife Observation Window* - Open all day at the Nature Center.

*10am Feed The Birds* –See previous listing. Nature Cent

Saturday, December 9

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*10am Feed The Birds* – See prev. listing. Nature Center.

*11am Animal Outsides* – Feel a fur, touch a turtle, sense a snake, finger a feather and more sensory experiences. Stop by the Nature Center anytime between 11 and noon, and touch all you like.

*2pm Planetarium Star Show* – See above. Must be seated by 2pm. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Sunday, December 10

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*10am Feed The Birds* – See prev. listing. Nature Center.

*\*10:30am Winter Walk*– Meet outside the Nature Center to discover amazingly different winter survival strategies during a 1-hour moderate hike.

*2pm Planetarium Star Show* – See above. Must be seated by 2pm. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Monday & Thursday, December 11 & 14

OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

*Wildlife Observation Window* - Open all day at the Nature Center.

*10am Feed The Birds* –See previous listing. Nature Cent

**\*Healthy Parks – Healthy People: Get “INShape” with us, and discover what it takes to keep a state park or reservoir healthy.**

Tuesday and Wednesday, December 12-13  
Nature Center Closed

Friday, December 15  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**10am Feed The Birds** – Come to the Nature Center to put out a banquet for the birds & squirrels, and then watch to see who comes for breakfast in the observation room.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – Discover how easy it is to find ancient constellations during a 40-minute interactive program. Must be seated by 2pm. Nature Center.

Saturday, December 16  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**10am Feed The Birds** – See prev. listing. Nature Center.

**\*10:30am Winter Bird Hike** – Start on the Nature Center front porch to spend an hour looking for birds with a naturalist on an easy hike.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above. Must be seated by 2pm. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Sunday, December 17  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**10am Feed The Birds** – See previous listing. Nature Cent

**10:30am Frozen Bubbles!** – Don't miss this fun, outdoor activity for when there's no snow to play in this winter. 30-minute activity at the Nature Center.

**2pm Planetarium Star Show** – See above. Must be seated by 2pm. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Monday, Thursday & Friday, Dec. 18, 21-22  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**Wildlife Observation Window** - Open all day at the Nature Center.

**10am Feed The Birds** – See previous listing. Nature Cen.

Tuesday & Wednesday, December 19-20  
Nature Center Closed

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**HOOSIER ECOLOGIST**

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Saturday, December 23  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**10am Feed The Birds** – See previous listing. Nature Cen.

**All Day Videos** – Select a nature video and we'll play it for you on the big screen! Lots to choose from.

Sunday through Wednesday, December 24-27  
Nature Center Closed

Thursday & Friday, December 28-29  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**Wildlife Observation Window** - Open all day at the Nature Center.

**10am Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

**All Day Videos** – Select a nature video and we'll play it for you on the big screen! Lots to choose from.

Saturday, December 30  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**10am Feed The Birds** – See prev. listing. Nature Center.

**12:30-3:30pm Cornhusk Dolls** – Stop by the Nature Center this afternoon to make a genuine cornhusk doll. Great for all ages, this 19<sup>th</sup> century toy also makes a great decoration for the home.

Sunday, December 31  
OPEN 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST

**10am Feed The Birds** – See previous listing. Nature Cent

**10:30-noon Woven Bookmarks** – Come make a neat keepsake using an ancient technique. Best for folks older than 8. Takes about 30 minutes. Nature Center.

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